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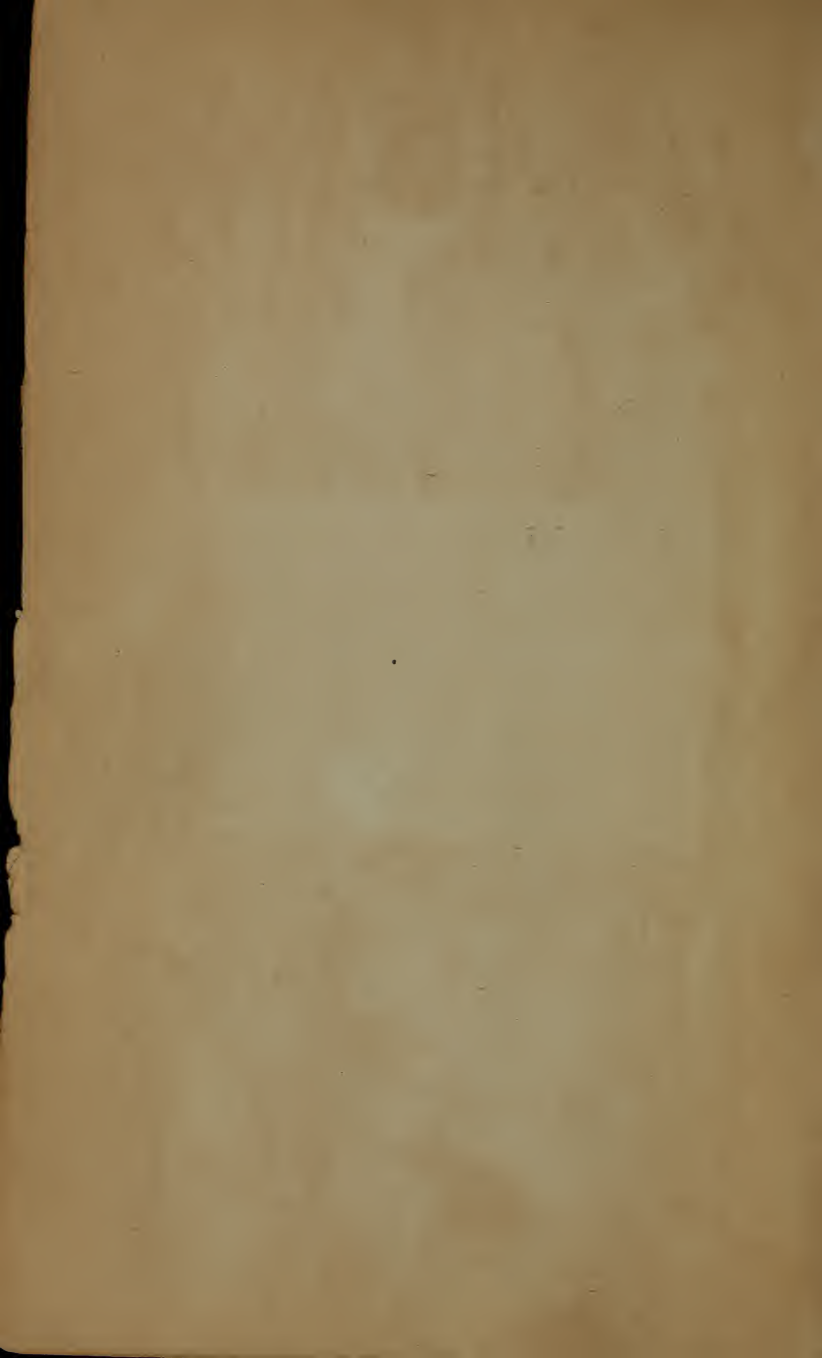
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RITUAL

OF

SUBORDINATE LODGE

OF THE

INDEPENDENT ORDER

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OF

Good Samaritans and Daughters of Samaria

IN AMERICA.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SUPREME GRAND LODGE.

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NOTICE.

IN USING THIS RITUAL FOR SINGLE LODGES OF G. S., OMIT THE OFFICES OF THE SISTERS, AND IN THE D. S. SINGLE LODGES, OMIT THE BROTHERS.

OPENING.

The Lodge is called to order by the W. C. with one rap of the gavel, when he says :

W. C.—The Lodge will come to order ; the members will clothe themselves in regalia, and the Officers will take their respective stations.

W. C.—Worthy Vice, for what purpose are we assembled this evening ?

W. V.—To open a Lodge of Good Samaritans and Daughters of Samaria.

W. C.—W. V. (or Daughter of Fount) you will satisfy yourself that all present are Good Samaritans and Daughters of Samaria, and that the entrance to the Lodge room is duly guarded.

The Vice Chief (or Daughter of Fount) directs the Conductor and Daughter Conductress to receive the Explanation or Key from each brother and sister, and report.

V. C.—Reports. The Lodge is duly guarded and all present are Good Samaritans and Daughters of Samaria.

W. C.—Are the Officers at their respective stations.

V. C.—They are, except (naming the absentees by the title of their office.)

The Chief gives three raps with the gavel, and the members rise and sing :

THE OPENING ODE.

Here we meet, a social band,
Pledged together, heart and hand
In this noble cause to stand,
And fight for victory.

Never wearied or dismayed
In this noble cause to save,
We, the champions so brave,
Shall strive for victory.

The Prelate (or Daughter of Lessons) then reads a portion of Scripture or offers a prayer.

W. C.—Members will now assist in opening the Lodge. *All give the countersign.*

W. C.—I declare this Lodge duly opened for the transaction of such legal business as may come before it, and recommend that the members be governed by Love, Purity and Truth.

The C. gives one rap, and re-seats the Lodge.

ROUTINE OF BUSINESS.

1. Reading of Minutes of previous meeting.
2. Roll call of absentees explaining the cause of their absence.
3. Financial Roll.
4. Welfare and good of the Order.
5. Report of Sick Committees.
6. Report of Standing Committees.
7. Applications for membership.
8. Unfinished business.
9. New business.
10. Adjournment.

INITIATION.

The Conductor having ascertained that there are one or more candidates in waiting, the Chief directs the Fin. Sec. (or Daughter of Finance) to proceed to the ante-room with the Daughter Conductress, receive the initiation fee, and question the candidate as follows:

What is your age?

Your occupation?

Your residence?

Are you single or married?

Are you sound in body and mind?

Are you willing to be governed by the Constitution and By-Laws and the general Regulation of the Order?

Are you willing to sign the Total Abstinence pledge?

The Fin. Sec. (or D. of F.) then enters and reports as follows:

F. S.—Worthy Chief, we find the following named persons in the ante-room. They have answered the usual questions and now await your orders.

W. C.—Let the signal be given.

The Inside Sentinel gives one rap on the door. The D. Con. answers by three raps from the outside. The I. Sent. opens the wicket and says:

I. Sent.—Who is there to disturb the meditations of the members? Who wishes to intrude upon our peaceful retreat?

Con.—Strangers who are desirous of leaving behind the follies of the world, and wish to gain admittance among those who strive together to overcome our common enemy.

I. Sent.—Will they sign the Total Abstinence pledge?

Con.—They will.

W. C.—Let them enter.

The Conductor takes the candidates by the hand as they enter and says: "Welcome Stranger." The candidates are then lead around the room to the chief, while the Lodge rise and sing:

All hail the occasion that bids us rejoice,
This Stranger to welcome, exalt each high voice;
Our work is progressing, this labor of love
Will bring down a blessing from mansions above.

Lodge seated.

W. C.—Strangers, we greet you and bid you welcome; we would receive among our number all who manifest a desire to leave behind them those things which tend to evil, and enter upon the paths of improvement. You have come from the busy scenes of the world; you have turned aside from its fascinations and its pleasures, and now present yourselves at the entrance of our peaceful retreat. We shall require an obligation from you that will not conflict with your religious, political, or private opinions. With this declaration on our part are you still willing that we shall proceed?

Ans—I am.

W. P. D.—Your request then shall be complied with, and we beg of you to call in your wandering thoughts and give your mind dilligently to the objects which shall meet your view, and to reflect in this retirement upon the duties we shall endeavor to impress upon your mind. You are about to travel through paths where you will receive instruction; you will be accompanied by guides who will not forsake you, and it is hoped the lessons you will this night receive will not soon be forgotten. Worthy Conductor (and D. C.) let the strangers commence their journey, and see that they falter not.

The candidates are conducted around the room while the Lodge arise and sing.

Jesus, the name that calms our fears,
 That bids our sorrows cease ;
 'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
 'Tis life, and health, and peace.

Look unto him ; ye nations own
 Your God, ye fallen race
 Look and be saved, through faith alone
 Be justified by grace.

Lodge seated. The candidates are then brought in front of the Prelate and Daughter of Lessons. The D. of L. reads the 10th chapter of St. Luke from the 25th to 37th verses inclusive.

W. Con.—You are now shut out from the world, and your eyes closed upon its wickedness. Nature, made beautiful by the Great Architect above, has been marred by the wickedness of man. Sickness and sorrow, pain and woe, spread their raven wings o'er this once happy and blissful world. To check this tide of wickedness and alleviate the sufferings of humanity, are among the noble objects of our Order.

Lodge rises. PRAYER by the Prelate.

Lodge seated. The candidates are conducted around the room while the Lodge sings :

Salvation, O the joyful sound,
 'Tis pleasure to our ears ;
 A sovereign balm for every wound,
 A cordial for our fears.

At the close of the singing the candidates are brought in front of the V. Chief and D. of F.

Con—I present to you for further instruction these strangers who are desirous of being united to the Order of Good Samaritans and Daughters of Samaria.

V. C.—You will place your right hand on your left breast while I read to you the obligation and pledge.

Two loud raps are heard on the inner door, and the room is darkened.

V. C.—Who seeks to gain admission, and interrupt our solemn ceremonies?

I. Sent.—The Assistant Conductor, on his way to the Lodge, has been so fortunate as to rescue one who had fallen among thieves, and now craves admission with the Unfortunate, that his wounds may be bound up and his miseries otherwise relieved.

W. V.—Let them enter.

The Assistant Conductor then leads in an unfortunate person. They march around the room in silence, excepting the noise of the unfortunate's cane upon the floor, and present themselves in front of the W. V., who thus addresses them:

Light restored.

W. V.—Worthy Ass't Con., as this unfortunate member of the human family is now, through your instrumentality, admitted to this our asylum, where all of his wants will be cared for and all his woes relieved, we request you to state the nature of the sad disaster wherewith he has been assailed.

The Unfortunate replies:

Sir, permit me to recount the story of my own misfortunes. Like all mankind, self-confidence in my own ability to avoid evil induced me to neglect all precaution, and, with others, I mingled in all the giddy follies of the day. Business at length rendered it necessary that I should journey from my home, and while thus traveling thoughtlessly and unprepared, I was suddenly assailed by thieves, who, after using much violence in beating, wounding and robbing me, left me where I had fallen, faint and much exhausted.

Although unable to arise or assist myself, I yet retained consciousness. Soon I observed approaching me a reverend priest; my heart beat strong with the hope of receiving his kind assistance, but alas! that hope was disappointed, for he, like the priest and Levite of old, passed me by. Others also appeared, which again caused hope to revive in my bosom; but alas! it was but momentary, for they too passed me by, and when the last ray of hope was departing, and thick despair about to envelop me, kind Providence directed that a member of this Order should discover my unfortunate condition. With the kindly feeling of brotherly love and affection, although to him a stranger, he bound up my wounds and bid hope again revive in my bosom, and, to crown his act of charity, has brought me to your hospitable asylum.

W. V—He has but performed his duty. Our Order knows no distinction among mankind but goodness. Worthy Ass't Con., you will now see that the unfortunate stranger is duly provided for.

Lodge rises, and the unfortunate retires.

W. C—We will now proceed with the Obligation.

Candidates kneeling with their hands on open Bible.

In the presence of the members of this Lodge and of the Order, I, —, do on my honor solemnly pledge myself that I will keep sacred and inviolable all the secret transactions of the Order, and I will not give nor divulge any of its secret words, signs, or tokens, to any but those who may be, by the rules of the Order, duly authorized to receive them; that I will support its Constitution and By laws, and will use my utmost exertions to promote its harmony and peace. And I do furthermore promise that I will neither make, buy, sell, nor use as a beverage, any

spirituous or malt liquors, wine, or cider ; and that I will discountenance the use and traffic in alcoholic drinks of every kind, and will use all moral, honest, and civil means within my power to put a stop to the practice of legalizing the same ; and I will, as far as practicable, seek to reclaim the inebriate from the error of his ways ; all this I do pledge myself to perform, with a firm intention to keep my pledge unbroken.

(Lodge response.)

Hark, hear the warning, stranger pause,
Think well thy purpose o'er.
Our solemn vows and covenant laws
Are binding evermore.

Lodge seated.

As the Daughter Conductress pours out the tumbler of water she repeats the following :

D. C—This which you now behold is sparkling water, a beverage prepared by God himself to nourish his creatures and beautify his footstool, and as thus you see its countless drops unite and blend in one, so may we blend together inseparably in one unruffled stream, whose purity shall wash away the stains of black intemperance.

Hands the glass to the D. of F.

D. of F—And as one drop from the wine cup would suffice to stain this whole element of purity, so would one unworthy member dishonor our whole Order ; bearing this in mind, you will now join with me in partaking of this pure element drawn from the fountain of our Father. The W. Con. and D. Con. will now escort you to the W. C. and P. D.

Lodge rises and sings :

Fear not, brethren, joyful stand
 On the borders of our land,
 Jesus Christ, our Father's Son,
 Bids us undismayed go on.

Lord, obediently we go,
 Gladly leaving all below ;
 Only Thou our leader be,
 And we still will follow Thee.

Lodge seated.

W. Con—The stranger has duly taken the pledge, and is now referred to you for further instructions.

P. D—Brother (or Sister), the Order to which you are united was instituted solely for the purpose of benefiting the unfortunate. Behold the world as it is and as it has been, and wretchedness and misery are painfully presented to your view on every side. The philanthropic heart has long felt the necessity of an institution similar to our own, and has often sighed over the departing hope of its accomplishment. When it has seen the talented, the beautiful, and the good, prostrated by the fell destroyer, as well as the poor unfortunate, exposed to the almost hopeless charity of the world, when it has seen the sons and daughters of men, like the priest and Levite, pass them by as the objects so utterly lost as not to merit their attention. But a brighter day has dawned, and man's inhumanity to man, that standing reproach upon human nature, is, as we trust, about to be abolished. We bid you welcome.

Lodge respond—"Thrice welcome to the bosom of an Order whose grand characteristics are unsullied honor, and unwearied zeal in the cause of truth and benevolence."

W. C.—Brothers and Sisters, I am about to put you in possession of the secrets, signs, password, grip, &c., of the Order of Good Samaritans and Daughters of Samaria; and here let me remind you of the solemn obligation you have this night taken, not only to abstain entirely from the use, manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, but to keep secret within your bosom the secrets of this Order. We confide to you the signs, with the fullest confidence in the honesty of your intentions, and we trust that a strict adherence to the obligation each of you have taken will prove that our confidence has not been misplaced.

We have four signs in this Order—the entering sign, the password and explanation, the countersign, and sign of recognition, and also a grip.

When you wish to enter the Lodge, on coming to the outer door, you will knock to attract the attention of the sentinel who is stationed there, to whom you will give the password, and after you have given it you will be admitted to the ante-room, where you will clothe yourself in regalia. You will then rap upon the inner door, when the sentinels will require of you the explanation or key; you will then give them the explanation, upon giving this they will admit you.

You will then advance to the center of the room facing the W. C. and P. D. and give the countersign thus —* ; then turn and give the same sign to the W. V. C. and D. of F., who sit at the opposite end of the room; the officers will answer by placing their

*By 14, 18, 29, 27, 21, 16, 23, the 12, 21, 23, 22, 10,—22, 29, 16, 26 on the 18, 25, 24, 10—28, 12, 25, 29, 11, 10. then 12, 29, 21, 11, 25, 26 it in a 14, 25, 12, 14, 25, 16, 26, 21, 27, 9, 18, 29, 12 position with 15, 14, 25, 16—22, 29, 16, 26.

right hand thus : —†. You will then take your seat.

This sign (the hand on the breast) is one of deep and solemn importance, and should remind us to keep the secrets of the Order within our own bosoms, also from whence spring all our benevolent feelings for our fellow-men ; and this, (the uplifted hand) that our Creator knows the purity of our intentions.

The sign of recognition is to enable us to discover in mixed company, members of our Order whether male or female. Should you at any time wish to ascertain if any are members of the Order, you will, in a careless manner, place the first two fingers of the 12, 21, 23, 22, 10,—22, 29, 16, 26, in the 14, 29, 18, 17 of the 18, 25, 24, 10. Any one desiring to recognize you will answer by placing the first finger of the 12, 21, 23, 22, 10—22, 29, 16, 26, in the 14, 29, 18, 17 of the 18, 25, 24, 10. Should you be so addressed you will answer in the same manner.

The W. Con. (or D. Con.) will now give you the grip, password, and explanation. The password and explanation you are never to give, not even to a known member of the Order, except to the outside or inside Sentinels and to the Conductor (or Daughter Conductress) when the Lodge is about to be opened, and then only in a whisper. To the W. C. and P. D. you will give the password and explanation whenever they require it.

Should you wish to leave the Lodge previous to its being closed, you can do so by proceeding to the center of the room and giving the countersign, the same as on entering, and should you be answered by the officers you can retire ; but if you should choose an improper time so as to impede the business of the

†By 14, 18, 29, 27, 21, 16, 23, their 12, 21, 23, 22, 10—22, 29, 16, 26, over the 22, 25, 29, 12, 10.

Lodge, the officers will not give you the answering sign; in such case you will be seated until a proper time for retiring.

During the opening, initiatory, and closing services no member is allowed to enter or retire from the Lodge. This gavel is an emblem of power, and is used to govern the Lodge: one rap, when the Lodge is seated, calls to order, three raps call the Lodge to their feet, and one rap reseats them. You will now retire to the ante-room, where you will be clothed in regalia and await further instructions.

The Con. (or D. C.) leads in the candidates to where the P. C. and P. P. D. are standing, and then take their seats.

W. C.—It now remains that you should be conducted to the Pillar of Reflection, there to behold the object upon which you are to labor, and strive with all diligence to complete the work which the Great Ruler of the universe has given you to do.

The P. P. D. then leads the candidates to the Pillar of Reflection, draws the veil, and says:

P P. D.—Brothers (or Sisters), this is the Pillar of Reflection. Behold the object of your labor—yourself—and remember that man was created in the image of his Maker; that although he has fallen from his high estate, yet his case is not without a remedy; if, therefore, we would enjoy pleasure which shall endure when time shall be no longer, we should never be weary in well doing. Ponder well, my brother (or sister), upon these thoughts, and may the records of eternity show that you have turned them to good account. You will now be conducted to the Pillar of Instruction, that you may learn where to look for the result of your work.

The candidates are then taken to the Pillar of Instruction by the P. C., who draws the veil and says :

W. P. C.—Behold the Pillar of Instruction ! Now learn that your labor can only end with life, and that if it be properly performed we may hope for a blissful hereafter. Although the body is subject to dissolution and decay, it is but the casket containing a jewel which sparkles with immortal brilliancy. Such, my brother (or sister), is the state to which we are fast hastening, the places which now know us will know us no more forever. Let us, therefore, improve the remainder of our brief earthly existence, that when our weak and frail bodies shall, like this solemn memento, become cold and inanimate and moulder in sepulchred dust and ruin, our disembodied spirits may soar aloft to the blessed regions of life and light eternal.

The W. P. C. and P. P. D. then leave the candidates and take their seats. The Con. and D. C. lead the candidates around the room, stop in front of the P. and D. of L. and then leave them.

W. P.—Would you learn what breaks the heart and renders the happy home desolate and forsaken ? would you learn what leads the soul from the ways of peace to the paths of sin ? what it is that turns love to hatred, and directs the hand of the murderer to shed blood ? would you learn the reason why, among the young and beautiful in this world, the brightest hopes are crushed and blighted by the fiend of despair ? Alas ! it is the drunkard's cup. Stranger, beware of the tempter ! Shun the intoxicating bowl as deadly in its effects. Thy self-improvement will be crowned with success, and thy days glide on in peace and happiness.

The remainder of this lesson may be omitted if the Lodge has not the scenes to represent the characters.

D. of L.—Brothers and Sisters, contemplate for a moment the character of the scene before you. On the left you behold the innocent youth who has entered for the first time one of the fashionable saloons with which our cities and towns abound. You see how his eye glistens with anticipated delight as he views the ruby wine that sparkles in the cup, little dreaming that the fang of the serpent is there concealed. On his right you behold one who has taken the second step in the road to ruin; see with what an air of self-esteem and careless indifference he places himself, as he raises the fatal cup and views its sparkling and bewitching contents, as if to give a lesson to his junior in vice. Next to him you behold those who have taken the third step in the road to ruin. They are engaged, as you see, in gambling, which is the legitimate offspring of intemperance. Alas! how many of the young men and young women of our land, who, after having ruined their health, squandered their property and disgraced their families by the intoxicating cup, in the vain hope of regaining their former standing, have resorted to the gambling-room! On the right, at the door of the saloon, you behold the finale of the drunkard; his body covered with wounds, his once manly form is now bloated, and his visage, though once fair has become haggard and ghastly through the use of the intoxicating poison found in the drunkard's cup; while by his side, in the act of pouring oil upon his wounds, you behold the ante-type of our Order, the Good Samaritan, whose cause you have this night espoused; and we hope the symbolic scenes which you this night behold and the lessons you have just received, may have a lasting impression on your mind.

The W. C. and P. D. then stand between the two pillars, and the Lodge join hands, commencing at one pillar and ending at the other, leaving the candidates in the center.

W. C.—This tie is an emblem of the union which should exist among us as Good Samaritans and Daughters of Samaria. *Lodge loose hands.*

P. D.—Behold the chain has been broken that you may be added as another link.

W. Con. and D. Con. then place the candidates in the circle and the Lodge join hands.

W. P.—May the goodly affections of the Order surround you; may love govern you in your conduct and conversation; may purity be your guiding star through life, and truth be found with you in all your dealings with mankind.

Lodge respond "So may it be."

W. C.—Brothers and Sisters, I now introduce to you (here giving the names), and trust that you will at all times extend to them the fraternal courtesy of the Order.

Lodge seated.

CLOSING.

Lodge rises.

W. C.—Brothers and Sisters, we will now proceed to close the Lodge. Your presence and attention this evening have been most acceptable and claim our regards and thanks. Moved by the spirit that inspired the Good Samaritan of old, bound together by the ties of Love, Purity, and Truth, may we long continue to meet as a fraternal band, and sow the seeds of temperance that we may bring forth fruit which will cause joy and gladness in the hearts of generations yet unborn.

Lodge sings :

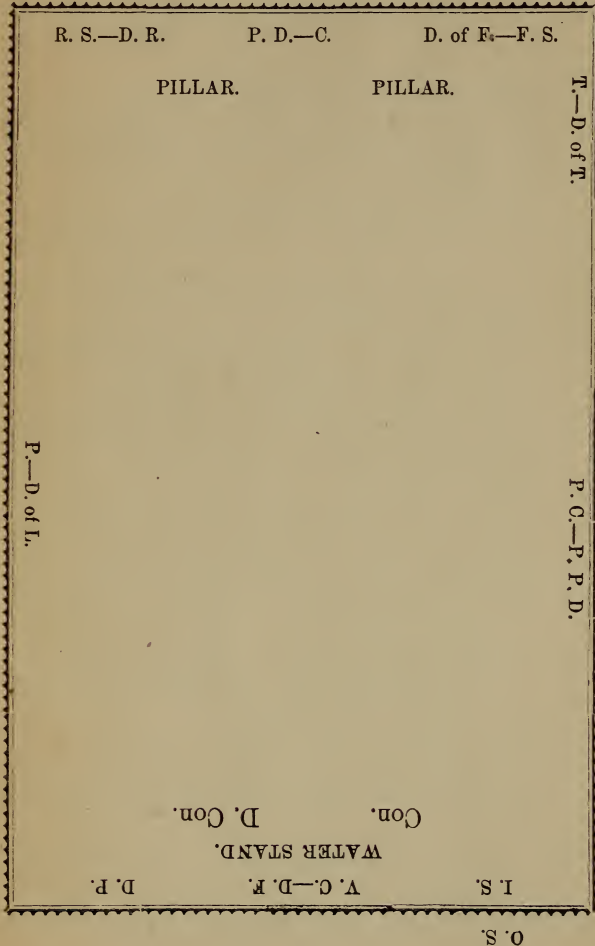
Now with love each other greeting,
 Lord, we to our homes repair ;
 Let thy blessing crown our meeting,
 In thy favor may we share.

Wisely may we fill our stations,
 Spread thy glory while we live ;
 Then in Heavenly habitations
 Lasting praises may we give.

W. C. or P. D.—I now declare this Lodge closed until next ———, at — o'clock.

Lodge responds " So it is."

Plan of a Good Samaritan Lodge-Room.



INSTALLATION.

R. W. G. C.—The Grand Officers have attended for the purpose of Installing the Officers of your Lodge for the ensuing term. Are you ready?

W. C.—We are, R. W. G. Chief.

G. C.—Has the Quarterly Report of your Lodge been made out, and the percentage due the Grand Lodge appropriated?

W. C.—They have, R. W. G. Chief.

G. C.—You will deliver it to the G. Installing Officer.

The G. I. O. receives the Quarterly Report, and if found correct, reports to the R. W. G. C.

G. I. O.—R. W. G. C., I have examined the Report of Lodge No. — and found it correct.

G. C. to W. C.—You will direct the Officers to vacate their several chairs, that they may be occupied by the Grand Officers.

The R. W. G. C. having taken his seat, requests the G. Conductor and Daughter Conductress to retire to the ante-room with the Officers-elect and examine them in the Signs, Grips, Tokens and Words of all the Degrees, commencing from the first to the sixth Degree, and if found qualified to fill the several Offices, return to the Lodge room and report.

G. Con. and D. Con.—R. W. G. Chief, we have examined the Officers-elect, and find them qualified to be installed in their several offices.

G. C.—You will present the Officers-elect.

The G. Con and D. Con. again retire and introduce the Officers-elect.

G. Con. and D. Con.—R. W. G. C., we present to you for installation our worthy brothers and sisters, whom the members of this Lodge have duly elected to fill the several offices for the ensuing term.

The G. Chief here vacates his chair, and directs the Installing Officer to proceed with the Installation.

I. Officer--You will place yourselves in the position to receive the obligation. *Three raps.*

I. ———, do solemnly promise in presence of the members of this Lodge, and of the Order here assembled, that I will punctually and faithfully fulfill all the duties of Chief and (P. Daughter), Vice Chief, (D. of F.), R. Sec., (D. of R.), F. Sec., (D. of F.), Treasurer, (D. of T.), Prelate, (D. of L.), Conductor, (D. C.) I. Sent., (D. of Keys), O. Sent., (D. of Pass), of this Lodge; furthermore I promise that I will administer its affairs without favor, prejudice, or partiality, having in view only the welfare of this Lodge and of the Order. I furthermore promise, declare, and say, that I will be guided and governed by the General Constitution and By-Laws of the Supreme Grand Lodge, acknowledging its supremacy over the Order. And I furthermore promise to obey the requirements of the Officers thereof, made in conformity with the Constitution, Regulation, &c., of the Supreme Grand Lodge and of this Lodge; all of which I promise to perform with a full determination to keep my pledge unbroken.

I. Officer--In token of your sincerity, brothers and sisters, you will please kiss the Book.

I. Officer--Having taken the obligation imposed by the regulations of our Order, in the name of the Supreme Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Samaritans and Daughters of Samaria, I, J. B. M., do hereby declare you duly installed into the offices of Worthy Chief and P. Daughter; Worthy Vice and D. of Fount; Worthy Recording Sec., and D. of Records; Worthy Financial Sec., and D. of Finance; Worthy Treasurer and D. of Treasury; Wor-

thy Prelate and D. of Lessons; Worthy Conductor and D. Conductress; Worthy Inside Sent. and D. of Keys; Worthy Outside Sent., and D. of Pass, of this Lodge, for the ensuing term.

I. Officer—The G. Con. and D. Conductress will now clothe you with the regalia of your several offices, and conduct you to your seats. *One rap.*

INSTALLATION CHARGE.

To the O. Sentinel and D. of Keys, I. Sentinel and D. of Pass—Brothers and Sisters, you are intrusted with the admittance of members into the ante-room, also the Lodge room. Prove every member before admission; admit none unless you are satisfied as to their claim of admission, and see that no brother or sister enters the Lodge room without being properly clothed in suitable regalia.

The Conductor and D. Conductress are to assist at the Initiation of Candidates, to have charge of the Regalia belonging to the Lodge, providing it for use on each Lodge night, and deposit it in its proper place when the Lodge is closed.

To you, W. Prelate and D. of Lessons, is entrusted the pleasing duty of directing the mind of candidates for initiation to good and solemn considerations, preparatory to receiving the Initiatory Charges.

Worthy Treasurer and D. of Treasury, the funds of this Lodge are entrusted to your keeping. You are to receive all money or money bills from the Financial Secretary or Daughter of Finance, and deposit the same in such place as the Lodge may designate, subject at any time to be paid out by order of the W. C. and F. S. with the seal of the Lodge attached thereto, and at the end of every three months report to this Lodge the amount of money remaining in your hands. Also, deliver to your successors all property

belonging to this Lodge, taking your receipts for the same.

To the Worthy Financial Secretary and Daughter of Finance. Your duties are to keep a fair and impartial account between the Lodge and its members; collect all dues, fines, and funeral contributions from the members; sign all drafts by order of the W. C.; report quarterly the amount of money collected, expended for the sick, or otherwise; and at the end of your term of office deliver to your successors all books, papers, or other property belonging to this Lodge.

To the Worthy Recording Secretary and Daughter of Records. You are to record the secret doings of this Lodge when in session, and in conformity with the Constitution and By-laws of the Supreme G. Lodge and of this Lodge, will, at the end of your term of office, prepare and forward to the R. W. G. Secretary the Quarterly Return, as required by General Law. Also perform such other duties as may be required of you by this Lodge.

To the Worthy Vice and D. of Fount. Having taken the obligation imposed by the regulations of our Order, it will be your duty to guard narrowly the entrance into this Lodge room. See that no one is admitted who is not duly and legally qualified as a member of this Lodge and of the Order. Also you are to assist the W. Chief in preserving order during Lodge hours. .

To the Worthy Chief and Presiding Daughter.—*Three raps.* Brother and Sister, you have been elevated to the office of W. Chief and P. Daughter of this Lodge, a position which the confidence of its members have reposed in you. Moderation and strict integrity in the performance of your duty will ensure their respect and co-operation. Let Love

govern your feelings, Purity direct your purposes, and Truth be your constant aim through all your actions. Prove yourselves Good Samaritans in word and deed ; not as the priest and Levite of old, but raise the fallen. The welfare of this Lodge is entrusted to your care. Acquaint yourselves with the Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations of the Order, so that you may properly conduct the business of this Lodge, and thus promote its welfare and success.

The Installing Officer here gives the W. Chief and P. Daughter the Password, and addresses them as follows :

Brother and Sister, you have voluntarily entered into a solemn obligation faithfully to perform the duties devolving on you as presiding officers of this Lodge. The interest of the Order generally, and especially this Lodge, demand of you a faithful and impartial administration of the Laws and Regulations of this Lodge, and having the fullest confidence in your ability and willingness to perform that duty, I now place into your hands this Charter, and the private works of the Order, also this gavel, the emblem of power. One rap calls the Lodge to order, three raps call the Lodge to their feet, and one rap reseats them. The members will now salute their newly installed Officers by singing the

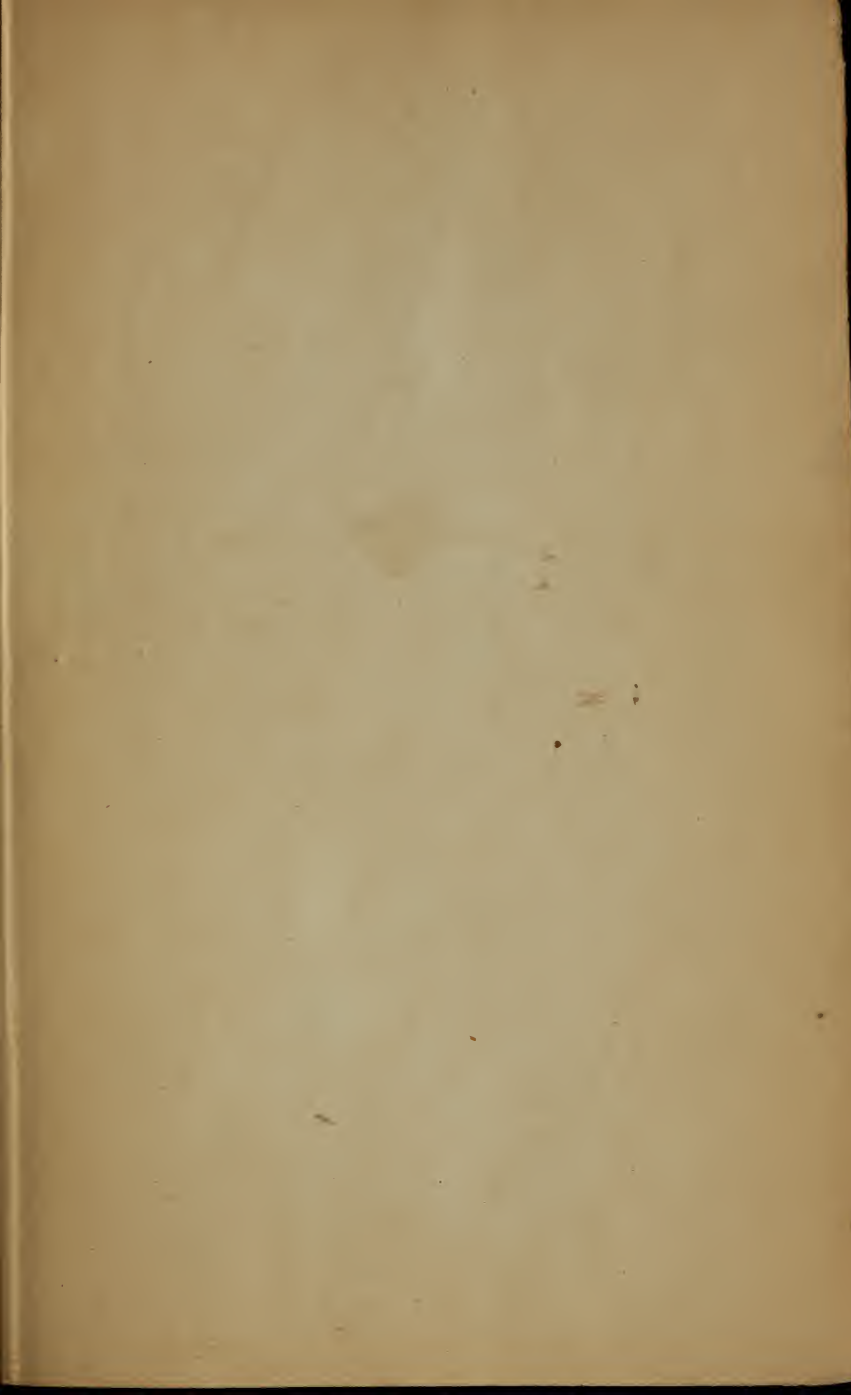
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All hail the power of Jesus' name,
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
A remnant weak and small;
Hail Him who saves you by his grace,
And crown him Lord of all.

Ye gentiles, sinners, ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall;
Go spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all.

Teachers, who surely know his love,
Who feel your sin and thrall,
Now join with all the hosts above,
And crown him Lord of all.







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